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Keeping Faith  
with  
God and Our Church  
For One Hundred and Ten Years the  
Methodist Protestant Church  
has served  
God and Humanity  
Faithfully  
In All Probability  
this is  
The last year  
of our  
Denomination History  
It is time  
"To set our house in order"

### GOD CALLS

Let us answer Him worthily!  
The Methodist Protestant Church is mobilizing  
For a triumphant conclusion to her  
glorious record  
**Our Slogan: Our World Service Quota in Full!**

Purpose: To show our appreciation of the Church, what she has meant to us and to others, and to prepare ourselves better for the coming of Methodist union!

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## OUR SAINTED DEAD

### These All Died in the Faith

'Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth.  
Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and  
their works do follow them.'

DAVID ALLEN BODIE

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## CONFERENCE ROLL

| NAME             | ADMITTED  | ORDAINED               | SERVICE                           |
|------------------|---|------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| G. J. L. Brown   | 1897<br>Concord Church<br>Dalley, La.                   | 1904<br>Pollock, La.   | 38 Years<br>Superannuated<br>1936 |
| E. O. Hearne     | 1897<br>Concord Church<br>Dalley, La.                   | 1904<br>Pollock, La.   | 40 Years                          |
| Mary E. Bartlett | 1901<br>Arcadia, La.                                    | 1907<br>Winnfield, La. | 37 Years                          |
| F. Lyman Shows   | Admitted as an Or-<br>dained Elder, Homer,<br>La., 1902 | 1902<br>Homer, La.     | 35 Years<br>Superannuated<br>1937 |
| I. A. Patton     | 1898<br>Concord Church<br>Dalley, La.                   | 1901<br>Arcadia, La.   | 37 Years                          |
| J. F. Reid       | 1903<br>Jonesboro, La.                                  | 1908<br>Homer, La.     | 35 Years<br>Superannuated<br>1936 |
| Mary E. Perdue   | 1904<br>Pollock, La.                                    | 1906<br>Dodson, La.    | 34 Years                          |
| Charles Moore    | 1932<br>Ansley, La.                                     | 1936<br>Chatham, La.   | 5 Years                           |
| E. A. Dennard    | 1911<br>Grayson, La.                                    | Ordained               | Superannuated<br>1933             |
| H. H. Cantley    | 1915<br>Pollock, La.                                    | 1925<br>Monroe, La.    | Superannuated<br>1935             |
| John M. Stozier  | 1917<br>Dodson, La.<br>Readmitted 1938                  | 1925<br>Monroe, La.    |                                   |
| J. B. Blackburn  | Transferred from<br>Arkansas Conf. 1926<br>Dry Prong    | 1908<br>Homer, La.     | 12 Years                          |
| J. T. Garrett    | 1934<br>Grayson, La.                                    | 1937<br>Jonesboro, La. | 4 Years                           |
| H. C. Kenney     | 1936<br>Chatham, La.                                    | 1938<br>Grayson, La.   | 2 Years                           |
| Rex Squyres      | 1935<br>Chatham, La.                                    | 1938<br>Grayson, La.   | 2 Years                           |
| J. W. Lee        | 1909<br>Homer, La.                                      | 1912<br>Jena, La.      | 29 Years                          |
| J. R. Downs      | 1907<br>Arcadia, La.                                    | 1910<br>Jonesboro, La. | 31 Years                          |
| E. W. Corley     | 1913<br>Ansley, La.                                     | 1916<br>Monroe, La.    | 21 Years                          |
| W. F. Ragsdale   | 1920<br>Queen City, Texas                               | 1925<br>Monroe, La.    | 18 Years                          |

|                  |   |  |  |
|------------------|---|--|--|
| G. A. McVey      | 1921<br>Chatham, La.                                | 1926<br>Dry Prong                      | 15 Years   |
| R. H. Hearne     | 1928<br>Jena, La.                                   | 1931<br>New Hope Church<br>Dodson, La. | 10 Years   |
| James A. Jones   | 1927<br>Chatham, La.                                | 1933<br>Jonesboro, La.                 | 11 Years   |
| L. A. Bodie      | 1927<br>Chatham, La.                                | 1933<br>Jonesboro, La.                 | In school. Served<br>in Tex., Okla, and<br>La., Conf. since<br>1927. |
| B. P. Durbin     | 1930<br>Grayson, La.                                | 1934<br>Grayson, La.                   | 6 Years  |
| Ira L. Yeager    | 1921<br>Chatham, La.                                | 1924<br>Grayson, La.                   | 12 Years   |
| Morris G. Lee    | 1927<br>Chatham, La.                                | 1929<br>Grayson, La.                   | 11 Years   |
| F. L. Hearne     | 1928<br>Jena, La.                                   | 1931<br>New Hope Church<br>Dodson, La. | 10 Years   |
| B. F. Griffin    | 1912<br>Jena, La.                                   | 1918<br>Dodson, La.                    | 26 Years   |
| Lula Wardlow     | 1913<br>Ansley, La.                                 | 1916<br>Monroe, La.                    | 25 Years   |
| J. R. Stozier    | 1817<br>Dodson, La.                                 | 1923<br>Montgomery, La.                | 18 Years   |
| C. J. T. Cotten  | 1930<br>Grayson, La.                                | 1933<br>Jonesboro, La.                 | 5 Years  |
| H. E. La Croix   | 1928<br>Jena, La.                                   | 1932<br>Ansley, La.                    | 10 years   |
| Mrs. Ola Ramsey  | 1923<br>Montgomery<br>Readmitted 1938               | 1931<br>New Hope Church<br>Dodson, La. | 10 Years   |
| Mrs. Ada Johnson | 1912<br>Jena, La.,<br>Readmitted 1938               | 1916<br>Monroe, La.                    |  |
| C. A. Calhoun    | Received from Ar-<br>kansas Conf., Jan.<br>1, 1935. |  | 2 years  |
| J. H. Lewis      | 1909<br>Monroe, La.                                 |  | Superannuated<br>1935  |
| W. P. Shows      | 1936<br>Chatham, La.                                | 1938<br>Grayson, La.                   | 2 Years  |
| W. H. Carroll    | 1936<br>Chatham, La.                                | 1938<br>Grayson, La.                   | 2 Years  |
| Tillman Brown    | 1936<br>Chatham, La.                                | 1938<br>Grayson, La.                   | 3 Years  |



|                   |                        |  |
|-------------------|------------------------|--|
| Miss Fern Cook    | 1936<br>Chatham, La.   | Elected to Elders Orders, to be ordained at a special session of conference to be called prior to May 1, 1939. |
| Miss Lea Joiner   | 1936                   | To be Ordained at a Special Conference to be called prior to May   |
| Nettie Mae Cook   | 1936                   | 1st Year Class   |
| Pierce McKeathen  | 1936                   |  |
| Elaine Willett    | 1937<br>Jonesboro, La. | 2nd Year Class   |
| M. H. Corley      | 1937<br>Jonesboro, La. | 2nd Year Class   |
| Jack Shaw         | 1938<br>Grayson, La.   | 1st Year Class   |
| Murrell Gunn      | 1938<br>Grayson, La.   | 1st Year Class   |
| John Wesley Jones | 1938<br>Grayson, La.   | 1st Year Class   |
| Joe Keiffer       | 1938<br>Grayson, La.   | 1st Year Class   |
| Eugene Brown      | 1938<br>Grayson, La.   |  |

### REPRESENTATIVES

|                |                      |                   |
|----------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Monroe         | W. W. McDonald       | Monroe, La.       |
| Arcadia        | Mrs. J. S. Smith     | Minden, La.       |
| Mt. Nebo       | F. Jones             | Dawnsville, La.   |
| Strickland     | Calvin Ayetes        | Pollock, La.      |
| Bentley        | H. S. Garlington     | Pollock, La.      |
| Chatham        | Mrs. J. R. Breathwit | Monroe, La.       |
| Grayson        | J. W. McKeithen      | Grayson, La.      |
| West Carrol    | No Representative    |                   |
| Queen City     | J. R. Moore          | Queen City, Texas |
| Boyd           | James O. Bellew      | Boyd, Ark.        |
| Evergreen      | Mrs. J. N. Harris    | Jonesboro, La.    |
| Center Point   | No Representative    |                   |
| Pollock        | Miss Mollye Stewart  | Pollock, La.      |
| Hollins Chaple | Barney Eubanks       | Dry Prongs, La.   |
| New Hope       | J. W. Gaar           | Dodson, La.       |
| Urania         | Mrs. Chas. McCartney | Urania, La.       |
| Dry Prong      | No Representative    |                   |
| Jena           | Lois Strozier        | Jena La.          |
| Dodson         | No Representative    |                   |
| Hicks          | Henry Keifer         | Montgomery, La.   |
| Jonesboro      | Mrs. E. L. Merredith | Jonesboro, La.    |
| Colfax         | Mrs. I. W. Collier   | Colfax, La.       |
| Pine Grove     | Derwood Crowell      | Eras, La.         |
| Luna           | J. C. Jordan         | West Monroe, La.  |
| Winnfield      | Jesse Kennedy        | Winnfield, La.    |

## APPOINTIVE COMMITTEE

### Divine Worship

F. L. Hearne  
J. W. McKeithen  
Mrs. J. W. McKeithen

### Camp Chatham

E. W. Corley  
F. L. Hearne  
John G. Head

### Education

L. A. Bodie  
Crate Jordan  
W. P. Shows

### Official Character

E. O. Hearne  
H. S. Garlington  
Tillmon Brown ✓

### Periodicals

J. R. Strozier  
C. J. T. Cotton  
F. Jones

### Finance

J. W. McKeithen  
W. W. McDonald  
J. T. Garrett

### Temperence

R. H. Hearne  
Hardy Carroll  
Charley Moore

### Pastors Report

L. A. Bodie  
Tillmon Brown  
B. F. Griffin

### Thanks

I. A. Patman  
Mrs. Fannie McCartney  
Mrs. Ola Ramsey

### Superannuate

Benefits  
E. O. Hearne  
Mrs. Lula Wardlow  
I. A. Patman

### By Laws and

### Rules of Order

J. A. Jones  
J. R. Downs  
Charley Moore

## Appreciation Year Committee

J. W. Lee  
Ira L. Yeager  
T. L. Johnson  
Jack Mays

Mrs. C. C. Hartgroves  
Mary E. Perdue  
Mrs. A. Wells

# **PROCEEDINGS**

The ninety-second annual session of the Methodist Protestant Church convened at Grayson, Louisiana, October 21st, 1938.

After two congregational songs led by the Pastor host, Rev. F. L. Hearne, the conference was called to order by the President tapping the table with the "Beautiful Gavel" presented to the Louisiana Conference by the late Beloved Laymen, Mr. A. W. Stewart.

He read the entire 16th Psalm for the Scripture lesson and called the Conference to prayer.

The welcome address was most fittingly delivered by Mr. J. W. McKeithen with response by Rev. Mary E. Perdue.

The Conference Roll was called. Upon motion the Conference Bar was fixed.

## **Introductions**

Dr. John Paul, Dr. R. H. Harper, Dr. J. A. Wade, Rev. E. W. Day and Rev. E. L. Johns were introduced and invited to honorary seats. Mr. W. B. Clark was also introduced. Most all of these distinguished guests made inspired addresses.

Upon motion the names of Our Honored Dead were called.

The order of the day having arrived, Rev. Paul Durbin delivered the opening sermon to the delight and inspiration to all.

At this time an Air-mail letter from Sister Mary E. Bartlett was received, including her report, which was read and her request was granted. She also enclosed \$5.00 which was applied on the Presidents salary.

Motion prevailed to adjourn.

## **First Day Afternoon Session**

The Conference opened promptly at 2:30 p. m. Devotionals by Rev. E. M. Mouser. Scripture Lesson, the 84th Psalm, followed by prayer.

Dr. J. H. Straughn, President of the General Conference, Dr. Frank Stephenson, Secretary of the Board of Education, Dr. F. L. Shaffer, representing our "Appreciation Year" program, arrived and were introduced to the Confer-

ence and the time was fixed for them to address the Conference.

The President called Dr. Straughn to the chair, after which he read his report, which was adopted.

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

To The Ninety-Second Session of The Louisiana Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, now in session at Grayson, Greetings in the Lord:

Immediately after the last annual conference, I entered upon my duties and have had a very busy year. I have traveled the district over several times visiting all the churches but two. I have visited several of them three to four times. I have tried to serve where I was needed most. I have held about forty (40) quarterly conferences; traveled some 10 to 12 thousand miles in church work. I have encouraged the observance of all the special days; have tried to get pastors salaries increased. I have held several meetings with good results; have seen about delinquent properties; attended two pastor's schools and young people's schools which in my judgement were great successes.

I have made a trip to Tiffin, Ohio in May to attend the Annual meeting of the Denominational Board and Executive Board and will report same later.

#### Improvements

- (1) Winnfield Church has been rebuilt.
- (2) Center Point church has been remodeled and painted.
- (3) Urania church has been painted.
- (4) Mt. Zion has new pews.
- (5) A new church building at Boyd, Arkansas.
- (6) Zora church has been recovered.

There have been other minor improvements over the conference.

#### Official Acts

Immediately upon the close of the last annual conference, I appointed Bro. Kinney to the Campbell Chapel charge. Bro. Dick Moore to Courtland charge. In November I released C. A. Calhoun from Pollock and later appointed Bro. Paul Durkin as pastor. Later I released Bro. Tillman Brown from Bear Creek church and appointed Mrs. P. C. Cook as pastor. In March I appointed Bro. E. O. Hearne pastor of Luna church. In July I released Bro. E. W. Corley from Concord and appointed Bro. E. O. Hearne pastor. I received Sister Ola Ramsey's letter of standing for re-instating given to her two years ago.

At last annual conference I was asked to investigate some complaints made against Rev. G. A. McVey. After traveling several hundreds of miles making such investigations as were deemed necessary, a church trial was held in Winnfield, La., in last May. Rev. E. O. Hearne, F. L. Hearne and Paul Durbin acted as trial judges. Rev. E. W. Corley represented the conference. Mrs. M. E. Perdue represented Rev. McVey. After all evidence was heard, the judges rendered the verdict guilty as



charged, but asked that he be reprimanded, and given another chance.

This was done immediately in the presence of the court. This ended my efforts on this change.

After the reading of the President's report, Dr. Straughn addressed the Conference explaining in detail matters concerning the Methodist Union. His message stirred our hearts.

The order of the day having arrived for the election of officers, the President appointed W. W. McDonald, F. L. Hearne and Ira L. Yeager as tellers.

The election resulted in Rev. J. W. Lee being re-elected President; Rev. Mary E. Perdue, re-elected Secretary; Rev. Ira L. Yeager, re-elected Treasurer; and Rev. L. A. Bodie, re-elected Statistician.

Upon motion, the same Board of Church Extension were elected.

Upon motion Rev. Lula Wardlow was elected to serve until 1941 as a member on Itinerancy and Orders.

Rev. J. W. Lee was elected Delegate to the Uniting Conference. Rev. Ira L. Yeager and Rev. Mary Perdue, alternates.

Mr. T. L. Johnson was elected Lay Delegate to the United Conference.

Mr. F. G. Wardlow and Mr. J. W. McKeithen alternates. Motion to adjourn.

Benediction by Dr. Frank Stephenson.

## Second Day Morning Session

Conference was called to order by the President.

Devotionals by Rev. I. A. Patton, followed with prayer by Rev. J. A. Jones.

Roll Called. Minutes read and corrected.

Chairman on By-Laws and Rules of Order called the attention of the members of the Conference of Section 23 of the By-Laws, concerning change or amending same.

Committee on Periodicals submitted report, which was adopted.

## REPORT OF PERIODICAL COMMITTEE

We the Committee on Periodicals, recommend that our people read and study the Book of Books, the "Bible" daily and they supply their homes with clean, wholesome literature.

We also recommend that every pastor and family of the Methodist Protestant church subscribe for the "Methodist Protestant Recorder," and the "Missionary Record," and that we use our own Sunday School literature.

Respectfully submitted:

JAMES R. STROZIER

W. F. JONES

C. J. T. COTTEN

Rev. F. L. Shaffer addressed the Conference, officially concerning the "Appreciation Year" program.

Upon motion, the 11 o'clock hour was the time fixed for the Louisiana Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to present their program.

Upon motion the Official List was corrected.

It was moved and carried that Rev. W. S. Dunn be granted local relationship.

Committee on Itinerancy and Orders submitted report which was adopted.

## REPORT OF ITINERANCY AND ORDERS

1—We recommend that Tillman Brown, H. C. Kinney, W. P. Shows, Rex Squires and Hardy Carroll, having satisfactorily completed the prescribed work, be elected to Elders Orders.

Also, that Miss Fern Cook, Miss Lea Joiner, Mrs. Nettie Mae Cook and Pierce McKeithen be elected to Elders Orders at a session of the annual conference to be called prior to May 1, 1939, provided they bring certain required credits.

2—We recommend that Miss Elaine Willette and M. H. Corley be advanced to the Second Year's course of study.

3—We also recommend that Jack Shaw, Murrel Gunn, John Wesley Jones, Joe Keiffer and Eugene Brown, coming properly recommended by their quarterly conference, be granted probationary relationship to this annual conference and that they be placed in the First Year's Course of Study.

Respectfully submitted:

F. Lyman Shows

Lula Wardlow

S. L. Yeager

It was moved and carried that Sister Ada Johnson be

re-instated and that her name be placed on the Conference roll.

The hour of the day having arrived, the Louisiana Branch of the Woman's Auxiliaries had charge of the 11 o'clock hour. The President, Mrs. A. Wells, submitted her report with much enthusiasm. Afterward, introducing Rev. F. L. Shaffer, who moved and filled our hearts with his wonderful message. At the close Mrs. Wells spoke tenderly of the India Mission, bringing back precious memories of those who had worked hard to promote this work, Misses Mattie Long, Florence Williams and Mr. A. W. Stewart, who has gone on before. She closed by taking an offering to help build a church at Dhulia, India.

Benediction was pronounced by Rev. E. M. Mouser.

### Afternoon Session

Conference reassembled promptly on time.

Devotionals by Rev. J. A. Jones. Prayer offered by Rev. R. H. Hearne.

Roll call and reading of minutes omitted.

Upon motion Rev. John M. Strozier was re-instated and his name placed on the Conference roll.

Rev. W. F. Ragsdale and Rev. J. F. Reed submitted reports which was received and adopted.

Rev. G. M. Aykin, Rev. Ina Lee Aykin, Pastors of the Church of the Nazarene, also Miss Moore and Sister Kelley arrived and were introduced and given honorary seats.

Dr. Frank Stephenson, Secretary of the Board of Education presented his official address which was timely. His earnestness in speaking as he presented that the needs of the church program be fully carried out, made us feel tremendous responsibility. Years of association has drawn Dr. Stephenson close to the hearts of the Louisiana Conference. At the close of this address, the Appreciation Year committee was appointed.

Conference treasurer submitted report which was adopted.

## REPORT OF ANNUAL CONFERENCE TREASURER 1938

Amount in Treasury at the close of Annual Conference October 24, 1937, as follows:

|  |          |                |
|--|----------|----------------|
| General Conference Delegate Fund of 1936.....  | \$21.76  |                |
| General Conference Delegate Fund of 1937.....  | 33.45    |                |
| Ministerial Institute Fund.....  | 4.61     |                |
| As authorized by Annual Conference, immediately after adjournment, mailed check to Rev. E. W. Corley, Chatham, La..... |          | \$21.78        |
| January 26, 1938 delivered to Rev. J. W. Lee.....  |          | 33.45          |
| Fellowship Crusade receipts.....   | 98.03    |                |
| General Conference claims..  |          | 49.01          |
| 50 per cent of same to   |          |                |
| General Conference claims.....   |          | 49.01          |
| 1-6 per cent Superannuate Fund.....  | (8.16*)  |                |
| 1-6 per cent of Good Samaritan   |          |                |
| mailed same 6-9-38.....  |          | 8.16           |
| 4-6 per cent Camp Chatham  |          |                |
| mailed to Rev. Corley 6-9-38.....  |          | 32.64          |
| Superannuate Fund received during year.....  | 13.81    |                |
|  | \$171.66 | \$145.02 26.64 |
| General Conference Receipts .....  | \$307.74 | 307.74         |
| Annual Conference Receipts .....   |          | 168.65         |
| Annual Conference Journal .....  |          | 50.00          |
| Annual Conference Secretary .....  |          | 30.00          |
| Annual Conference Treasurer .....  |          | 20.00          |
| Balance distributed as follows:  |          |                |
| 60 per cent Church Extension Board.....  |          | 41.19          |
| 1-6 per cent Fellowship Fund.....  | \$ 8.16  |                |
| Annual Receipts .....  | 41.34    |                |
| 25 per cent Annual Conf. Receipts..  | 17.17    |                |
| 25 per cent Superannuate Fund.....   |          | 66.67          |
| 15 per cent General Conference   |          |                |
| Delegate Fund .....  |          | 10.29          |
| Balance in Treasury .....  |          | \$14.90        |

Respectfully submitted

I. L. Yeager,

Annual Conference Treasurer

Board of Church Extension submitted report which was adopted.



## REPORT CHURCH EXTENSION BOARD, OCTOBER 1938

|  |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| Dec. 16, 1937, check to Bastorp Bank & Trust Co., Insurance and Interest ..... | 60.00               |
| In Treasury, at close of Annual Conference                                     |                     |
| October 24, 1937 .....   | \$304.61            |
| Nov. 10, 1937, by check, Rev. G. J. L. Brown.....                              | 10.00               |
| Nov. 18 1937, check to Rev. J. W. Lee  |                     |
| Loan to Pollock Church .....   | \$100.00            |
| Nov. 19, 1937, check to Rev. I. A. Patton                                      |                     |
| Loan to Winfield Church .....  | 75.00               |
| Dec. 1, 1937, check to balance on Annual Conference Journals .....             | 2.50                |
|  | \$314.61   \$237.50 |
| Oct. 20, 1938, amount in Treasury .....  | \$77.11             |
| Oct. 22-24, 1938, amount as authorized by Committee on Finance .....           | \$41.19             |
| Oct. 22, 1938, Balance in Treasury.....  | \$188.30            |

Respectfully submitted  
I. L. Yeager,  
Annual Conference Treasurer

Upon motion, the time and place for the next annual Conference will not be fixed until after the United Conference meets.

Motion prevailed to adjourn for committee work until after the evening service.

Benediction by Rev. J. W. Lee.

The pulpit was filled at the evening hour by Dr. John Paul. His theme "The Aristocrat at the Altar." At the close of the service several came forward for prayer.

## Evening Session

Conference called to order by the President.

The "Appreciation Year" committee submitted report which was adopted.

## REPORT OF APPRECIATION YEAR COMMITTEE

\$300.00 Delegates Expenses to United Conference.

\$100.00 for Superannuates.

\$200.00 Annual Conference Fund.

\$3,000.00 World Service Fund

Goal \$3,600.

This amount based upon the membership of the Louisiana Conference. Each assessed \$1.25 per member.

The Committee on Temperance submitted report which was adopted.

## REPORT OF TEMPERANCE

In as much as the Scripture teaches us to be temperate in all things, and feeling that this includes all our habits, but more especially, first, the use of intoxicating drinks, then gambling, and the use of tobacco, Sabbath desecration, etc.

As a conference, we should take a definite stand for total abstinence for Paul says, "Abstain from all appearance of evil." Our girls and boys should be taught that they must "Touch not, taste not, handle not the unclean thing."

Therefore, we recommend, that as a conference we put forth every effort in our power to blot out the liquor traffic, and that we give the fullest cooperation to the Anti-Saloon League of Louisiana in this great work.

Respectfully submitted:

CHAS. L. MOORE

R. H. HEARNE

W. H. CARROLL

Rev. J. R. Down's, Superintendent of the Home of Good Samaritians submitted report which was adopted.

The Committee on Education submitted report which was adopted.

## COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Your committee offers the following report:

Knowing what is needed in a rightfully educated church; and knowing the state of degeneracy in the world; and knowing the inclination toward idleness; and knowing the literal meaning of education, that is the act of leading out, and that we need to be lead out (or educated) some if possible about everybody and everything and more about the most important things, therefore we earnestly and prayerfully recommend:

First. That the members of the Louisiana Conference official and non-official, who have not had the all-important, indispensable experience of the baptism with the Holy Spirit diligently seek this glorious experience, for it is essential to the rightful conception of anything; and He, the Holy Spirit, is the greatest teacher of this dispensation. Without the baptism of Him, anyone is unavoidably handicapped and in all of his or her educational pursuits and left without the full joy Jesus intends for all to have.

Second: That all members of the Louisiana Conference, if impossible for them, to attend school any more, that they do not waste their time reading bad literature or in idleness, but read and study something worthwhile, never neglecting the Bible.

Third: We further recommend, that all of our preachers do all in their power to better educate themselves, remembering that Jesus said "learn of me," and in order to do this, we should increase our learning about all things and all people created.

Faithfully and Prayerfully yours

L. A. BODIE

J. C. JORDAN

W. P. SHOWS

The Committee on Finance report was read and adopted.

#### COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Your committee on finance offers the following report:

1. In response to a request from the Council of Christian Education of the Louisiana Conference, to make provision to assist in the support of our Leadership Training Schools, we offer the following plan.

(a) That Sunday Schools in stations and half stations be assessed two dollars (\$2.00) each.

(b) That Christian Endeavor Societies in station and half stations be assessed two dollars (\$2.00) each.

(c) That Sunday Schools in circuits be assessed one dollar (\$1.00) each.

(d) That Christian Endeavor Societies in circuits be assessed one dollar (\$1.00) each.

(f) That the assessments be collected on or before May 1, 1939, and be forwarded to Miss Myrtle Malone, treasurer of the Council.

2. We recommend that the president's salary be based upon 15 per cent of pastor's salary promised up to \$400.00 and 12½ percent to all above this amount, except the Monroe church which shall be \$100.00. Each pastor shall be responsible to see that this salary is paid in full; and that all missionaries and evangelists be assessed \$5.00 to apply on this salary.

3. We recommend that the General and Annual Conference claims be assessed at one dollar (\$1.00) per member.

(a) That distribution of said funds be as follows:

(b) \$50.00 Annual Conference Journal.

(c) \$30.00 annual conference secretary.

(d) \$20.00 annual conference treasurer.

(e) Balance to be divided as follows:

(a) 50 per cent to general conference claims.

(b) 50 per cent to annual conference claims.

(c) Annual conference claims to be divided as follows.

60 per cent Church Extension.

25 per cent Superannuates.

15 per cent Delegate General Conference.

4. We further recommend that all pastors accept the responsibility of collecting the President's Salary and General and Annual Conference Claims.

Also the following special days be observed: Easter, Children's Day, Rally Day and Young Peoples Day.

After careful consideration we make these recommendations, and ask their adoption.

Respectfully submitted:

I. L. YEAGER

W. W. McDONALD

J. T. GARRETT

The Committee on Superannuate Benefit submitted report which was read and adopted.

### COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATE BENEFIT

We your committee on Superannuate Benefit Fund submit the following report.

1. We recommend that E. A. Dennard, J. H. Lewis, J. F. Reid, G. J. L. Brown and F. L. Shows be paid \$20.00 each, Superannuate fund a year, and H. H. Cantley and Mrs. J. A. Riley \$10.00 each a year.

2. That this amount be paid quarterly.

E. O. HEARNE  
REV. I. A. PATTON  
LULA WARDLOW

Rev. M. G. Lee's report was read and adopted. He was granted Evangelistic relationship.

Rev. J. B. Blackburn submitted his report which was adopted.

Committee on Pastors Report was read and adopted.

### COMMITTEE ON PASTOR'S REPORTS

The committee on Pastor's Reports have checked and passed upon all the reports submitted to the same from the various churches listed and find them correct.

Respectfully submitted:

L. A. BODIE  
TILLMAN BROWN  
B. F. GRIFFIN

Committee on Thanks report was read and upon motion the chairman was requested to read same at the morning service Sunday.

### COMMITTEE ON THANKS

We the committee on Thanks wish to take this opportunity to express our heartfelt appreciation to the pastor, Rev. F. L. Hearne and each member of his church and to all the good people of Grayson in making our stay in your community so complete in every way. You will have our love, and our prayers as we go on to our homes and truly we covet your love and prayers.

Respectfully submitted:

I. A. PATTON  
MRS. OLA RAMSEY  
MRS. CHARLES McCARTNEY

The President stated that the Stationing Committee was ready to report but the appointments would be read at the close of the 11 o'clock service Sunday.

Motion to adjourn.



The Benediction of the ninety-third session of the Louisiana Conference was pronounced by Rev. J. R. Downs.

### Sabbath Day

The Devotionals and song service was conducted by the faithful Pastor, Rev. Falcolm L. Hearne, who had charge of the music throughout the Conference.

Dr. Frank Stephenson preached the ordination sermon at the close. Six young men came forward for ordination.

The President read the appointments.

Dr. John Paul filled the pulpit at the evening hour.

## APPOINTMENTS

| NAME          | PLACE   | ADDRESS                          |
|---------------|---|----------------------------------|
| Ira A. Yeager | Monroe, La.   | Monroe, La.<br>Box 816           |
| B. F. Griffin | <b>Arcadia Circuit</b><br>Bethlehem<br>Black Lake<br>Cross Roads<br>Spring Hill | R. F. D. No. 2<br>Atlanta, Texas |
| Paul Durbin   | <b>Mt. Nebo Circuit</b><br>Ansley<br>Bethel<br>Mt. Nebo                         | Downsville, La.                  |
| Charley Moore | <b>Strickland Circuit</b><br>Clear Creek<br>Bethel                              | Ball, La.                        |
| J. T. Garrett | <b>Spring Hill Circuit</b><br>Bentley<br>Springhill<br>Ball                     | Ball, La.                        |
| E. W. Corley  | <b>Chatham Circuit</b><br>Chatham<br>Antioch<br>New Hope                        | Chatham, La.                     |

### Grayson Circuit

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| Rex Squyres | Grayson<br>Kelley<br>Shiloh<br>Sardis | Grayson, La. |
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| H. C. Kenney | <b>West Carroll Circuit</b><br>Campbell's Chapel | Pioneer, La. |
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| Hardy Carroll | <b>Queen City Circuit</b><br>Courtland<br>Knights Bluff<br>Boyd | Queen City, Texas<br>care<br>Mrs. N. D. Baker |
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| I. A. Patton | Sunrise | West Monroe, La.<br>Riverside St. |
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| Tilmon Brown | <b>Evergreen Circuit</b><br>Evergreen<br>Antioch | Quitman, La. |
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| E. O. Hearne | Concord | Chatham, La. |
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| W. F. Ragsdale | <b>Mt. Pleasant Circuit</b><br>Mt. Pleasant<br>Pine Grove<br>Walnut Grove<br>Zoar | Simsboro, La. |
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| Mrs. P. C. Cook | Bear Creek | Jonesboro, La. |
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| I. A. Patton | Center Point | West Monroe, La. |
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| F. L. Hearne | Pollock | West Monroe, La. |
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| J. A. Jones | Hollens Chapel | Montgomery, La. |
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| L. A. Bodie | Dry Prong | Pollock, La. |
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| Mary E. Perdue | Jonesboro | Atlanta, Texas |
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| I. A. Patton | Winnfield<br>Coulie | West Monroe, La. |
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| Unsupplied | Urania | Urania, La. |
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| J. A. Jones | <b>Mt. Zion Circuit</b><br>Mt. Zion<br>Lewis Chapel | Montgomery, La. |
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| Jena Circuit        |                |                 |
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| L. A. Bodie         | Jena<br>Belah  | Pollock, La.    |
| G. A. McVey         | Barrons Chapel | Atlanta, La.    |
| Lula Wardlow        | Colfax         | Montgomery, La. |
| F. L. Hearne        | Luna           | Monroe, La.     |
| Miss Elaine Willett | Urserly Chapel | Colfax, La.     |
| J. R. Strozier      | Dodson         | Jena, La.       |

### CONFERENCE EVANGELISTS

Mary E. Bartlett, J. B. Blackburn, Morris Lee, Ola Ramsey and Fern Cook.

### CONFERENCE MISSIONARY

C. J. T. Cotton, H. E. La Croix, R. H. Hearne, John Stozier, W. P. Shows, Ada Johnson.

### IN SCHOOL

Miss Lee Joiner, M. H. Corley, John Wesley Jones, Murrell Gunn, P. S. McKeithen, Joe Keifer, Jack Shaw and Eugene Brown.

### GENERAL RESCUE MISSIONARY AND SUPERINTENDENT HOME OF GOOD SAMARIATAN

Rev. J. R. Downs ..... Monroe, La.

### LOANED TO THE TEXAS CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH SOUTH

C. A. Calhoun

## "APPRECIATION YEAR"

May 1, 1938—April 30, 1939

### THE FINAL CHAPTER

In all probability this will be the last year of the separate denomination life of the Methodist Protestant Church.

For one hundred and ten years we have witnessed to our faith as Methodist Christians, devoted to the idea of democracy in the church, the equal rights of ministers and laity in the work and councils of the church, and advocates of a new life through the grace of Christ.

### **LOSING BUT FINDING**

The merging of the three great American Methodist churches means that each loses his life. The old names, dividing lines, sectionalisms and antagonisms will, please God, disappear forever. In a very real sense all become members of the new Methodist Church, enjoy the old but new fellowships, and realize a unity which comes nearer to reaching the thing for which our loved Lord prayed so earnestly, (John 17). And so, though losing our lives we actually find them!

### **SETTING THE HOUSE IN ORDER**

That is always proper—but especially commendable and necessary when some great event in the life of the household is about to take place. And, with a wedding—well, it is just the thing we love to do. In a ceremony of such magnitude and significance, an occasion when three parties instead of two are concerned, surely, surely, we are bound to make ready! We will do that best by every local church, every pastor, every Sunday School, Endeavor Society, Auxiliary, Board and similar groups, organizations and individuals making this a very personal matter. It means attention to our own spiritual status, to the work of the church in every department, and last but by no means least, seeing that every financial responsibility is met in full.

### **A GREAT SLOGAN**

“Our World Service Quota in Full.” That is the word which is to be heralded to the farthest borders of our great church. To each congregation has been assigned a certain share in the worldwide program of education, benevolence and missions. Our name for this program is “World Service” and it is financed by the contributions of our people. Otherwise it could not exist.

### **THE PRESENT TASK**

It is two-fold: First, to carry on with all possible effi-



ciency the work now going on. Our missionaries, our colleges, our seminary, our summer conferences and pastors' schools, our superannuates, our homes for children and the aged. All of this work is of the highest importance. It lags and drags because of insufficient funds.

Second, during the early years of the depression our people had to reduce or discontinue their gifts. They were without work or had to assume the care of dear ones, if they did have a job. The contributions to our World Service askings dropped 60 per cent in a few years, starving our World Service work, requiring drastic curtailments everywhere and threatening the very existence of our missionary and college enterprises. Money had to be borrowed to meet honest obligations. Some of those debts have been paid. But not all. There remains about \$90,000. Will our house really be set in order if we go into Methodist union with those debts unpaid? They can, if we no more than double our contributions. If we will pay our World Service apportionments in full, we can do much more—put all our work in such shape that we can look up with pride, making no apologies to anyone, and present ourselves, without spot or wrinkle or any other financial blemish, to the new Methodist Church.

### **TO THE WORK!**

The period covered by "Appreciation Year" is from May 1, 1938 to April 30, 1939, and all contributions made to World Service interests during that period are a credit on this program and contribute to the reaching of the goal.

### **DETAILS OF THE PROGRAM**

The entire movement is in charge of a Committee of Nine, created by the Board of Administration. The church has been divided into four areas or jurisdictions, with a carefully selected chairman and one of the Executive Secretaries associated with him. The general supervision is in their charge. Further details will be forthcoming in due time.

### **OUR QUOTA IN FULL**

That is the slogan for every pastor, every congregation, every member. The cause is worthy, the needs most urgent, the cause is calling! Always the church moves forward on the love-gifts of her disciples. And love-gifts are the need—those offerings placed upon the altar of Christ in apprecia-

tion of Him, His church, and the services of our schools and our missionaries. It might be well to remember, "There is that withholdeth more than is mete and it tendeth to poverty; and there is that scattereth, and yet increaseth." Let us resolve to do our full share—and PLUS.

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## BY-L A W S

Section 1. No delegates shall be entitled to a seat in the annual conference without proper credentials or other satisfactory evidence of his election; and in case of alternate the certificate shall so express it.

Section 2. Delegates to the annual conference shall be elected from the members in good standing and in full membership, over the age of fifteen years. In circuits, stations, and missions, it shall be the duty of the steward to designate the time and place and give notice of election. The election shall be held under the direction of the stewards; and they shall act as judges of the election and cause the same to be returned to the Fourth Quarterly Conference, there to be compiled and consolidated. The person or persons receiving a plurality vote shall be declared duly elected delegate or delegates, and receive certificates according; provided that in the case of a tie, members of Quarterly Conference, by a majority vote shall decide; and provided further that in case the delegates and alternates elected from any work are providentially hindered from attending the annual conference to which they were elected, then the pastor in charge shall have the right to appoint a suitable person to represent the work in the conference. That no one, especially the men shall be allowed to vote for delegate who does not contribute regularly for the support of the pastor and the claims of the general and annual conference.

Section 3. No person shall be elected to orders, except they be persons of exceptional moral character, genuine piety, respectable attainment and sound in the belief of the fundamental doctrine of christianity and faithful in the discharge of gospel duties.

Section 4. No minister in good health shall be left without ministerial work for more than two years at the end of which time he shall resume his itinerate labors, or be transferred to the unstationed list, and if so transferred shall receive a certificate of his standing. This rule shall

apply to any minister so transferred, provided he, at his own request, may locate by vote of the conference.

Section 5. No minister or preacher appointed to a circuit, station or mission, shall cease from labors assigned him by the stationing authority until his term of service shall have expired, except by consent of the president, for reason by him deemed expedient.

Section 6. The secretary shall furnish each pastor with a condensed blank pastor's report at least ten days prior to the opening of each session of the annual conference that each pastor during the morning of the second day of conference hand their reports to the committee on pastors reports and that as soon as passed upon by committee and conference, said report shall be delivered to conference steward for his action, then to the statistical secretary for final disposition. Should any pastor fail to comply with this rule for the first offense he shall be reprimanded by the president, and for the second offense shall be located by a majority vote of the conference. That the evangelists and conference missionaries read their reports to the conference. We recommend that when the president visits a pastoral charge that he first converse freely with the pastor as to the spiritual and financial condition of the charge and that he insist on a strict obedience to the vows made when uniting with the church.

Section 7. The Board of Stewards of each Charge shall soon after the adjournment of the annual conference meet and in connection with the pastor proportion the assessment made by the Fourth Quarterly Conference for the support of the pastor. The proportion to be made to each class according to ability and willingness to pay and that the stewards see that the same is paid promptly and in connection with Section 7, we recommend that each steward keep a non-effective roll, noting those that are able and do not contribute to the support of the pastor, the president, and to the general interest of the church, and that the stewards notify the pastor of the number of members that do not help support the church.

#### Amendment to Section 7

It shall be the duty of each pastor, evangelist, or conference missionary holding or causing to be held any revival meeting within the bounds of the conference, to receive a special offering, either during said meeting or at some other



time during the year. Said offering to be placed immediately in the superannuate fund, by sending to treasurer of said fund. The failure to comply with this rule he or she shall be assessed the sum of five (\$5.00) dollars, for each meeting, which will be placed in said fund.

Section 8. On all subjects involving the financial interest of the church, no one shall be entitled to vote except those who are eighteen years of age and are contributing members in full membership.

Section 9. Any member twenty-one years of age and in good standing and in full membership for one year is eligible to any office in the church and as a delegate to the annual conference; provided that where a church, circuit, station, or mission has no member of said age, they may place in office in the church or elect as delegate to the annual conference such as are not twenty-one years of age and such as have not been members one year.

Section 10. Due notice shall be given previous to any action to be taken that involves the financial interest of the church.

Section 11. The term of office of conference steward shall be one year.

Section 12. The conference steward shall be required to receive and hold all money collected for various benevolent purposes from the different charges, also conference collections.

Section 13. It shall be the duty of the conference steward to settle all incidental expenses of the conference out of the conference collections during the session and present the remainder to the conference for disbursement.

Section 14. He shall pay over to the different boards or persons authorized to receive same, all money received for the various benevolent purposes taking receipt and at which any other business in his hands shall make proper exhibit to the conference during the session at which he was appointed also at the expiration of his term of office.

Section 15. At the first quarterly conference of each conference year the pastor shall call attention to the amount of the assessment made by the fourth quarterly conference for his support during the year. Immediately after each quarterly conference the pastor shall call attention of each class to the amount of his salary that is unpaid and in case the pastor neglects to do this, the steward will not be held responsible if the full amount is not paid.



Section 16. There shall be appointed at each session of the annual conference a minister or preacher to preach an opening sermon at the sitting of the next annual session.

Section 17. The proceedings of the annual conference shall be recorded by the secretary and properly arranged for printing in the annual minutes for which she shall receive reasonable compensation and the minutes shall be signed by the president and the secretary.

Section 18. The secretary shall take charge of all books and journals, records and proceedings of the conference and transmit the same to the conference at its next session.

Section 19. The president shall be stationing authority of the conference, calling to his aid as council, one layman from each work represented.

Section 20. In stationing the ministers and preachers there shall not be given to any one appointment who in the opinion of a majority of the members is incompetent for the duties thereof, or who they believe will neglect the appointments and such ministers and preachers may be transferred by conference to the unstationed list; provided that no minister or preacher who in the judgment of the conference is entitled to a superannuated relationship shall be transferred.

Section 21. It will be the duty of the president to see that deeds be taken to all the church property belonging to the Methodist Protestant church in the Louisiana District, and have same recorded.

Section 22. That the president, secretary, conference steward and standing district committee shall be elected at 3:00 o'clock p. m., on the first day of each annual session of the Louisiana Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church.

Section 23. These By-Laws can only be changed, altered or amended by giving one day's notice in open conference of such change, alteration or amendment, and it will require a two-thirds vote of the members belonging to that session of the conference.

## **RULES OF ORDER**

Section 1. The conference shall be opened promptly on the day and time appointed, the president conducting the devotional services. The roll shall then be called, after which the president shall read the annual report.

Section 2. During the morning of the second day of conference all ministers and preachers under appointment of this conference shall hand their reports to the committee on Pastor's Report.

Section 3. On assigning the floor to any member of the conference he shall distinctly announce the member to whom it is assigned.

Section 4. All motions and resolutions shall be written if the president and secretary request.

Section 5. When a motion is seconded or a resolution introduced and seconded, or a report presented and is read by the secretary, or is stated by the president, it shall be deemed in the possession of the conference any time before the amendment or decision.

Section 6. All motions to postpone, or lay on the table shall be taken without debate.

Section 7. No new motion or resolution shall be entertained until the one under consideration has been disposed of which may be done by adopting or rejecting, unless one of the following motions shall intervene, which are placed namely: First, indefinite postponement; Second, laying on the table; Third, referred to a committee; Fourth, postponement to a given time; Fifth, substitute; Sixth, amendment. A substitute may be amended.

Section 8. When any member is about to speak in debate or deliver any matter to the Conference, he shall arise and respectfully address the president, but shall not proceed until recognized by him.

Section 9. No member shall be interrupted while speaking except by the president to call him to order when he departs from the question or uses personalities or disrespectful language; but any member may call the attention of the president to the subject when deems a speaker out of order and any member may explain when he thinks himself misrepresented.

Section 10. When a member wishes to speak on a question of privilege he shall briefly state the question, but it shall not be in order for him to proceed until the president shall decide it a privileged question.

Section 11. No person shall speak more than twice on the same question nor more than five minutes at one time without leave of the conference; nor shall any member speak more than once until every member choosing to speak has spoken; provided, however, that the mover of a resolution or

a committee making a report shall in all cases be entitled to five minutes to close the debate.

Section 12. When a motion or resolution shall have been voted upon by the conference it shall be in order for any member who voted with the prevailing side to move a reconsideration but a motion to reconsider is a non-debatable motion, and must be decided without debate.

Section 13. No person shall absent himself from the conference without leave, unless he is sick or unable to attend.

Section 14. No member shall be allowed to vote on any question who is not within the Bar when such question is put by the president except by leave of the Conference when he shall be necessarily absent.

Section 15. Every member who is in the Bar at the time the question is put shall give his vote, unless the conference for reason excuse him.

Section 16. It shall be in order for any member to call for the ayes and nays on any question before the conference and if the call be sustained by one-third of the members present, the vote shall be taken by the ayes and nays.

Section 17. It shall be in order to move the question be taken without further debate on any measure pending before the conference except in cases where character is involved.

Section 18. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order and shall be decided without debate.

Section 19. The president shall appoint the chairman of committees on subjects of general interest and notify each chairman of his appointment at least ten days before each session of the conference.

Section 20. The committee on examination shall be appointed one year in advance and meet at next annual conference one day prior to convening of that body and that the under-graduates meet such committee for the purpose of being examined in their studies. Failure on the part of the under-graduates with this requirement (unless providentially hindered) forfeits their opportunity to meet the committee during that session of conference.

Section 21. No minister or preacher who are members of this conference shall intrude themselves on any station, circuit, or mission, without first receiving an invitation or permission from the pastor in charge.



TABLE I—MEMBERSHIP

| CHARGE                  | PASTOR                   | Appointments | Members Last Year | Additions | Removals | Present Membership | Professions | Baptisms | S. S. | Officers & Teachers | Scholars | C. E. S. | Membership | M. S. | Membership | Church Pa- |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|-------------------|-----------|----------|--------------------|-------------|----------|-------|---------------------|----------|----------|------------|-------|------------|------------|
| Ansley-Mt. Nebo.....    | B. P. Durbin.....        | 3            | 185               | 16        | 6        | 195                | 20          | 11       | 2     | 19                  | 135      | 3        | 95         | 2     | 28         | 7          |
| Arcadia.....            | J. R. Strozier.....      | 4            | 215               | 8         | 4        | 219                | 8           | 2        | 1     | 6                   | 40       | 1        | 25         | 1     | 20         | 1          |
| Bentley.....            | J. T. Garrett.....       | 4            | .....             | 11        | 2        | 205                | 42          | 8        | 1     | 6                   | 58       | 1        | 10         | 1     | 8          | .....      |
| Boyd-Knights Bluff..... | B. F. Griffin.....       | 2            | 61                | 4         | 2        | 63                 | .....       | .....    | 1     | 6                   | 55       | 1        | 35         | 1     | 12         | .....      |
| Bear Creek.....         | Nettie Mae Cook.....     | 1            | 32                | 1         | .....    | 33                 | .....       | .....    | 1     | 6                   | 15       | 1        | .....      | ..... | .....      | .....      |
| Chatham.....            | E. W. Corley.....        | 3            | 308               | 8         | 2        | 314                | .....       | .....    | 1     | 8                   | 65       | 2        | 40         | 2     | 25         | 6          |
| Colfax.....             | Lula Wardlow.....        | 1            | 37                | 20        | 1        | 56                 | 24          | 10       | 1     | 7                   | 58       | 1        | .....      | 1     | 8          | 1          |
| Campbells Chapel.....   | H. C. Kinney.....        | 1            | 81                | .....     | 2        | 79                 | .....       | .....    | 1     | 7                   | 45       | 1        | 20         | ..... | .....      | 1          |
| Dodson-Winnfield.....   | I. A. Patton.....        | 4            | 152               | 15        | 1        | 166                | 18          | 12       | 2     | 6                   | 50       | 1        | 30         | ..... | .....      | 1          |
| Dry Prong.....          | L. A. Bodie.....         | 1            | .....             | 1         | .....    | .....              | 3           | .....    | ..... | .....               | .....    | .....    | .....      | ..... | .....      | .....      |
| Evergreen.....          | Tilman Brown.....        | 2            | 77                | 8         | 2        | 83                 | 20          | 8        | ..... | .....               | .....    | .....    | .....      | ..... | .....      | 1          |
| Grayson.....            | F. L. Hearne.....        | 4            | 333               | 20        | 14       | 339                | 25          | 18       | 3     | 33                  | 212      | 3        | 95         | 4     | 79         | 12         |
| Hicks.....              | Jas. A. Jones.....       | 2            | 230               | 32        | 4        | 258                | 80          | 27       | 1     | 9                   | 132      | 2        | 40         | 1     | 18         | .....      |
| Hollens Chapel.....     | Jas. A. Jones.....       | 1            | 24                | 7         | 2        | 29                 | .....       | .....    | 1     | 7                   | .....    | 1        | 46         | 1     | 8          | .....      |
| Jonesboro.....          | M. E. Perdue.....        | 1            | 73                | 4         | .....    | 77                 | .....       | 2        | 1     | 5                   | 60       | 1        | 18         | 1     | 12         | 2          |
| Jena.....               | L. A. Bodie.....         | 2            | 96                | 2         | .....    | 98                 | .....       | 2        | 2     | .....               | .....    | .....    | .....      | ..... | .....      | .....      |
| Luna.....               | E. O. Hearne.....        | 1            | 24                | .....     | .....    | 24                 | .....       | .....    | ..... | .....               | .....    | .....    | .....      | ..... | .....      | .....      |
| Monroe.....             | I. L. Yeager.....        | 1            | 117               | 12        | .....    | 99                 | 25          | 9        | 1     | 10                  | 100      | 3        | 45         | 2     | 20         | 2          |
| New Hope.....           | E. W. Corley.....        | 1            | 100               | .....     | 1        | 99                 | .....       | .....    | 1     | 6                   | 45       | 1        | 20         | 1     | 10         | .....      |
| Pine Grove.....         | C. J. T. Cotton.....     | 4            | 229               | 12        | 1        | 240                | 15          | 17       | 1     | 3                   | 25       | .....    | .....      | 1     | 8          | 1          |
| Pollock.....            | B. P. Durbin.....        | 1            | 78                | 1         | 1        | 78                 | .....       | 1        | 1     | 6                   | 36       | 1        | 10         | 1     | 12         | 3          |
| Queen City.....         | Dick Moore (Supply)..... | 1            | 112               | 1         | 1        | 111                | 25          | .....    | 1     | 5                   | 38       | .....    | .....      | ..... | .....      | 3          |
| Strickland.....         | Chas. L. Moore.....      | 3            | 217               | 12        | 3        | 226                | 21          | 10       | 3     | 16                  | 121      | .....    | .....      | 1     | 16         | .....      |
| Sunrise-Bastrop.....    | H. C. Kinney.....        | 2            | 88                | 8         | .....    | 96                 | 8           | 3        | 2     | 12                  | 75       | 1        | 35         | 1     | 27         | .....      |
| Urania.....             | M. E. Perdue.....        | 1            | 69                | 2         | .....    | 71                 | .....       | 1        | 3     | 30                  | .....    | .....    | .....      | 1     | 16         | 2          |
| TOTALS.....             | .....                    | 51           | 2938              | 205       | 50       | 3268               | 336         | 141      | 32    | 213                 | 1365     | 24       | 564        | 23    | 327        | 43         |



## TABLE II—PROPERTY

| CHARGE                | PASTOR                | Church<br>Buildings | Value<br>Church<br>Buildings | Debt on<br>Churches | Insurance on<br>Churches | Parsonages | Value of<br>Parsonages | Insurance on<br>Parsonages | Value Other<br>Property |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|------------|------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Ansley-Mt. Nebo.....  | B. P. Durbin.....     | 2                   | \$ 5000                      | .....               | .....                    | .....      | .....                  | .....                      | .....                   |
| Arcadia.....          | J. R. Strozier.....   | 4                   | 5500                         | .....               | .....                    | 1          | 1500                   | 1000                       | .....                   |
| Bentley.....          | J. T. Garrett.....    | 3                   | 3500                         | .....               | .....                    | 1          | 1000                   | .....                      | .....                   |
| Boyd-Knights Blu..... | B. F. Griffin.....    | 1                   | 1000                         | 136                 | .....                    | .....      | .....                  | .....                      | .....                   |
| Bear Creek.....       | Nettie Mae Cook.....  | 1                   | 1500                         | .....               | .....                    | .....      | .....                  | .....                      | .....                   |
| Chatham.....          | E. W. Corley.....     | 3                   | 4000                         | .....               | 1000                     | 1          | 1500                   | .....                      | .....                   |
| Colfax.....           | Lula Wardlow.....     | 1                   | 1200                         | .....               | .....                    | .....      | .....                  | .....                      | .....                   |
| Campbells Chapel..... | H. C. Kinney.....     | 1                   | 1800                         | .....               | .....                    | .....      | .....                  | .....                      | .....                   |
| Dodson-Winnfield..... | I. A. Patton.....     | 4                   | 6000                         | 100                 | .....                    | .....      | .....                  | .....                      | .....                   |
| Dry Prong.....        | L. A. Bodie.....      | 1                   | 800                          | .....               | .....                    | .....      | .....                  | .....                      | .....                   |
| Evergreen.....        | Tilman Brown.....     | 2                   | 1000                         | .....               | .....                    | 1          | 300                    | .....                      | .....                   |
| Grayson.....          | F. L. Hearne.....     | 3                   | 3500                         | .....               | .....                    | 1          | 2000                   | 500                        | 1300                    |
| Hicks.....            | Jas. A. Jones.....    | 2                   | 1600                         | .....               | .....                    | 1          | 800                    | .....                      | .....                   |
| Hollens Chapel.....   | Jas. A. Jones.....    | 1                   | 750                          | .....               | .....                    | .....      | .....                  | .....                      | .....                   |
| Jonesboro.....        | M. E. Perdue.....     | 1                   | 2000                         | .....               | 1500                     | .....      | .....                  | .....                      | 150                     |
| Jena.....             | L. A. Bodie.....      | 2                   | 1500                         | 150                 | .....                    | .....      | .....                  | .....                      | .....                   |
| Luna.....             | E. O. Hearne.....     | 1                   | 500                          | .....               | .....                    | .....      | .....                  | .....                      | .....                   |
| Monroe.....           | I. L. Yeager.....     | 1                   | 7000                         | 800                 | 1000                     | 1          | 3000                   | 1000                       | .....                   |
| New Hope.....         | E. W. Corley.....     | 1                   | 1000                         | .....               | .....                    | .....      | .....                  | .....                      | .....                   |
| Pine Grove.....       | J. J. T. Cotton.....  | 4                   | 2500                         | .....               | .....                    | .....      | .....                  | .....                      | .....                   |
| Pollock.....          | B. P. Durbin.....     | 1                   | 3000                         | .....               | .....                    | 1          | .....                  | .....                      | .....                   |
| Queen City.....       | Dick Moore (Supp..... | 1                   | 800                          | .....               | .....                    | .....      | .....                  | .....                      | .....                   |
| Strickland.....       | Chas. L. Moore.....   | 3                   | 1500                         | .....               | .....                    | .....      | .....                  | .....                      | .....                   |
| Sunrise-Bastrop.....  | H. C. Kinney.....     | 2                   | 2500                         | 525                 | .....                    | .....      | .....                  | .....                      | .....                   |
| Urania.....           | M. E. Perdue.....     | 1                   | 2000                         | .....               | 1500                     | .....      | .....                  | .....                      | 250                     |
| TOTALS.....           | .....                 | 48                  | \$61450                      | 1711                | 5000                     | 8          | \$10100                | 1500                       | 1700                    |

# TABLE III—FINANCE

| CHARGE                | PASTOR                 | Promised<br>Pastor | Parsonage<br>Rent | Paid<br>Pastor<br>(Cash) | Raised for<br>Church<br>Building | Raised for<br>Church<br>Improvement | Raised on<br>Church Debt | Raised for<br>Current<br>Expenses |
|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Ansley-Mt. Nebo.....  | B. P. Durbin.....      | \$890              | .....             | \$923.00                 | .....                            | \$240.00                            | .....                    | \$227.25                          |
| Arcadia.....          | J. R. Strozier.....    | 780                | .....             | 512.65                   | .....                            | 9.00                                | .....                    | 261.00                            |
| Bentley.....          | J. T. Garrett.....     | 405                | .....             | 380.00                   | .....                            | 90.00                               | .....                    | 114.90                            |
| Boyd-Knights Blv..... | B. F. Griffin.....     | 100                | .....             | 96.10                    | 91.36                            | .....                               | 136                      | 62.25                             |
| Bear Creek.....       | Nettie Mae Cook.....   | 75                 | .....             | 71.43                    | .....                            | .....                               | .....                    | 64.32                             |
| Chatham.....          | E. W. Corley.....      | 740                | .....             | 688.00                   | .....                            | 270.00                              | .....                    | 120.00                            |
| Colfax.....           | Lula Wardlow.....      | 125                | .....             | 126.16                   | .....                            | .....                               | .....                    | 103.00                            |
| Campbells Chapel..... | H. C. Kinney.....      | 150                | .....             | 150.92                   | .....                            | .....                               | .....                    | 18.41                             |
| Dodson-Winnfield..... | I. A. Patton.....      | 300                | .....             | 400.00                   | .....                            | 385.00                              | .....                    | .....                             |
| Dry Prong.....        | L. A. Bodie.....       | .....              | .....             | 23.60                    | .....                            | .....                               | .....                    | .....                             |
| Evergreen.....        | Tilman Brown.....      | 40                 | 6.00              | 70.66                    | .....                            | 50.00                               | .....                    | 17.65                             |
| Grayson.....          | F. L. Hearne.....      | 2000               | 70.00             | 932.96                   | .....                            | 17.50                               | .....                    | 96.41                             |
| Hicks.....            | Jas. A. Jones.....     | 375                | 60.00             | 362.35                   | .....                            | 160.00                              | .....                    | 125.00                            |
| Hollens Chapel.....   | Jas. A. Jones.....     | 75                 | .....             | 73.65                    | 13.00                            | .....                               | .....                    | 16.72                             |
| Jonesboro.....        | M. E. Perdue.....      | .....              | .....             | 276.00                   | .....                            | 50.00                               | .....                    | 34.93                             |
| Jena.....             | L. A. Bodie.....       | .....              | .....             | 79.41                    | .....                            | 18.84                               | .....                    | .....                             |
| Luna.....             | E. O. Hearne.....      | .....              | .....             | 32.15                    | .....                            | .....                               | .....                    | .....                             |
| Monroe.....           | I. L. Yeager.....      | 1200               | 223.60            | 1265.23                  | .....                            | .....                               | 200                      | 168.50                            |
| New Hope.....         | E. W. Corley.....      | 175                | .....             | 175.00                   | .....                            | .....                               | .....                    | 42.00                             |
| Pine Grove.....       | J. J. T. Cotton.....   | 260                | .....             | 180.21                   | .....                            | 215.00                              | .....                    | 52.49                             |
| Pollock.....          | B. P. Durbin.....      | 180                | 90.00             | 156.42                   | .....                            | 12.00                               | .....                    | 126.00                            |
| Queen City.....       | Dick Moore (Supp)..... | 175                | .....             | 175.00                   | .....                            | 37.00                               | .....                    | 140.00                            |
| Strickland.....       | Chas. L. Moore.....    | 250                | .....             | 181.54                   | .....                            | 56.28                               | .....                    | 47.75                             |
| Sunrise-Bastrop.....  | H. C. Kinney.....      | 100                | .....             | 123.35                   | .....                            | 1.80                                | 5                        | 42.40                             |
| Urania.....           | M. E. Perdue.....      | 250                | .....             | 250.00                   | .....                            | 150.00                              | .....                    | 116.00                            |
| TOTALS.....           |                        | 7345               | \$449.60          | 7715.84                  | \$104.36                         | 1662.42                             | \$341                    | 1996.98                           |

| Raised by<br>Sunday<br>Schools | Raised by<br>C. E. | Raised for<br>President | Raised for<br>Annual Conference<br>Claims | Raised H. M.<br>Easter Off. | Raised F. M.<br>Childrens Day | Education<br>Rally Day | Missionary<br>Society | Other<br>General Con-<br>ference Inter. | Raised for<br>Superannuates | Total<br>by<br>Pastors |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|---|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|---|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| \$150.00                       | \$ 50.00           | \$118.00                | \$ 70.00                                  | 15.02                       | 11.75                         | 11.85                  | \$214.00              | \$ 35.25                                | 11.81                       | \$ 2082.93             |
| 24.84                          | 3.50               | 70.00                   | 1.14                                      | 2.00                        | .....                         | .....                  | 190.03                | 16.09                                   | 1.80                        | 1096.69                |
| 36.00                          | 10.00              | 47.00                   | 1.00                                      | 2.40                        | 5.11                          | 5.00                   | 46.67                 | .....                                   | 2.00                        | 740.08                 |
| 48.00                          | .....              | 3.00                    | .....                                     | .....                       | .....                         | .....                  | 33.90                 | .....                                   | .....                       | 436.71                 |
| 21.06                          | 5.00               | 11.25                   | 5.80                                      | .....                       | .....                         | .....                  | .....                 | .....                                   | 2.50                        | 215.26                 |
| 79.00                          | 15.00              | 90.00                   | .....                                     | 5.01                        | 4.00                          | .....                  | 101.00                | 23.00                                   | .....                       | 2135.01                |
| 36.98                          | 17.42              | 15.15                   | 2.00                                      | 8.00                        | .....                         | 6.00                   | 10.00                 | 9.17                                    | .....                       | 334.88                 |
| 18.90                          | .....              | 27.10                   | 3.62                                      | 4.00                        | .....                         | .....                  | .....                 | 2.13                                    | 3.16                        | 228.24                 |
| .....                          | .....              | 6.00                    | .....                                     | .....                       | .....                         | .....                  | .....                 | .....                                   | .....                       | 691.00                 |
| .....                          | .....              | 4.50                    | .....                                     | .....                       | .....                         | .....                  | .....                 | .....                                   | 5.00                        | 147.81                 |
| 335.38                         | 59.41              | 137.43                  | 54.75                                     | 16.24                       | 15.00                         | 33.60                  | 634.68                | 30.71                                   | 2.50                        | 2436.57                |
| 58.51                          | 16.57              | 13.20                   | 2.00                                      | 8.00                        | .....                         | .....                  | 16.77                 | 3.50                                    | 1.50                        | 767.49                 |
| 27.45                          | 29.40              | 3.56                    | .....                                     | 1.15                        | .....                         | .....                  | 6.25                  | .....                                   | 1.00                        | 172.18                 |
| 42.20                          | 22.45              | 21.70                   | 7.00                                      | .....                       | .....                         | .....                  | 30.00                 | .....                                   | 2.00                        | 486.25                 |
| 5.77                           | .....              | 1.00                    | .....                                     | .....                       | .....                         | .....                  | .....                 | .60                                     | .....                       | 105.62                 |
| .....                          | .....              | 5.00                    | 1.00                                      | .....                       | .....                         | .....                  | .....                 | .....                                   | .50                         | 38.65                  |
| 164.07                         | 32.72              | 160.20                  | 16.26                                     | 7.11                        | 3.17                          | 5.00                   | 143.02                | 20.67                                   | 4.46                        | .....                  |
| 15 00                          | .....              | .....                   | .....                                     | .....                       | .....                         | .....                  | 20.00                 | .....                                   | .....                       | 252.00                 |
| 4.00                           | .....              | 26.11                   | .....                                     | 1.25                        | .....                         | 1.35                   | .....                 | 1.50                                    | 1.87                        | 483.78                 |
| 25.52                          | 8.00               | 23.20                   | 2.50                                      | 5.00                        | 4.00                          | 1.00                   | 35.00                 | 2.50                                    | 2.00                        | 493.14                 |
| 5.50                           | .....              | 26.00                   | .....                                     | .....                       | .....                         | .....                  | .....                 | .....                                   | .....                       | 383.50                 |
| 58.39                          | .....              | 15.51                   | 1.52                                      | 1.62                        | 33.70                         | .....                  | .....                 | 2.52                                    | 1.00                        | 399.83                 |
| 21.00                          | .....              | 19.52                   | 1 50                                      | .....                       | .....                         | .....                  | 6.00                  | .....                                   | 1.15                        | 221.72                 |
| 12.00                          | .....              | 36.00                   | 6.50                                      | .....                       | .....                         | .....                  | 22.40                 | .....                                   | 1.00                        | 593.90                 |
| 1189.57                        | \$269.47           | \$880.43                | \$176.59                                  | 76.80                       | 76.73                         | 63.80                  | 1509.72               | \$144.64                                | 45.25                       | \$14743.24             |

# LIVING FACTS

## ABOUT OUR EDUCATIONAL WORK

1937 - 1938

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| Total students enrolled in colleges and seminary.....                 | 2,065        |
| Increase for year .....   | 38           |
| Administrative and faculty group .....                                | 260          |
| Methodist Protestant students .....                                   | 334          |
| Approximate number of Methodist students .....                        | 1,035        |
| Methodist Protestant ministerial students .....                       | 84           |
| Direct appropriations to colleges and seminary..\$                    | 13,716.00    |
| Direct and indirect appropriations .....                              | 16,031.00    |
| Loans to ministerial students (78) .....                              | 6,456.00     |
| Loans to non-ministerial students (39) .....                          | 3,155.00     |
| Total loans to all students (117) .....                               | 9,611.00     |
| Ministerial Invested Fund .....                                       | 68,113.00    |
| Income on Investments .....   | 3,491.00     |
| Student Loan Invested Fund .....                                      | 31,655.00    |
| Gain for the year .....   | 2,911.00     |
| Income on investments .....   | 1,609.00     |
| World Service receipts—Department Educa-<br>tional Institutions ..... | 24,003.00    |
| Decrease for the year .....   | 2,518.00     |
| Board Endowment (General Education Fund)..                            | 26,922.00    |
| Receipts from all sources .....                                       | 43,800.00    |
| Decrease from last year .....   | 2,304.00     |
| Rally Day Offering—1937 .....   | 8,594.00     |
| Increase .....  | 167.00       |
| Department office expense .....                                       | 6,885.00     |
| Decrease for year .....   | 122.00       |
| Total Board Funds .....   | 174,496.00   |
| Increase for the year .....   | 4,887.00     |
| Endowments held by the Board .....                                    | 28,795.00    |
| Increase for the year .....   | 1,445.00     |
| Value of all funds held by the Board.....                             | 213,290.00   |
| Increase for the year .....   | 6,330.00     |
| Value of college and seminary equities .....                          | 4,113,078.00 |
| Increase for the year .....   | 119,666.00   |
| College Obligations .....   | 516,251.00   |
| Decrease as compared with a year ago .....                            | 15,849.00    |